



### Class 11 "Ski" Week

For the first time in probably thirty nine years that the school has held "ski" week, we did not ski once, in fact the mountain was closed all week. Did this stop us from skiing? Yes it did, as there was not enough snow anywhere in our vicinity. On this camp it is quite normal to have at least one day off the mountain due to wind or white out conditions so we had to be creative in making sure we provided outdoor experiences that were going to be of benefit to the students.

These activities included Kaikōura whale watching, and this day was quite spectacular!

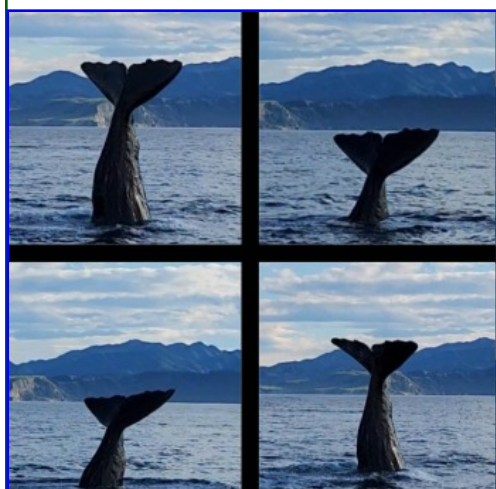
There were seven whales and numerous encounters with pods of dolphins that swam and jumped all around us. Seeing the whales dive is truly a magical and mystical experience and one that I will always remember.

Mountain biking the first day through beautiful beech, sequoia, pine, mistletoe and other natives. The trails were relatively flat and that made it a perfect place for a morning ride.

A gold panning experience in Reefton, this activity allowed us to link into the gold mining geology lessons they have in Class 10. To experience the life of a gold miner was humbling. It was fascinating to find the gold in the quartz rocks. There was plenty of alluvial gold to be seen and panned. But we left most of it there as it was very hard to collect. Walking in the surrounding bush and a group of keen mountain bikers went out again and did some more advanced tracks. A great time was spent at the famous Hanmer Springs. It was a wonderful time away, although not what we expected, we definitely came together for fun times and I thoroughly enjoyed my time with this class.

Many thanks to Scott and Morag for joining us and being wonderful helpers on this trip.

Gee Reisima - EOTC



## Taikura Winter Warmer Kai Menu



All food items will be payable **by ticket only**. Tickets are available to purchase by **CASH ONLY**. The minimum purchase is **2 tickets**. Tickets are available in \$5, \$10 and \$20 bundles. This year there will be 2 ticket sale tables located near the library.

Sausage Sizzle - **1 ticket**

Soup and bun - various flavours of deliciousness - **2 tickets for a bottomless cup**

Baked potatoes - **2 tickets**

Nachos - **2 tickets**

Mulled drink - **1 ticket**

Juice - **2 cups for 1 ticket**

Baked apple - **1 ticket**

Sweet fried bread - **1 ticket**

Slices/sweet treats - **1 ticket**

Popcorn - **1 ticket**

Marshmallows for toasting on the fire - **2 bags of 5 - 1 ticket**

**If marshmallows are being toasted parents are responsible for their own children's safety.**

### **Waste Management:**

While we are providing disposable plates/cups for serving - we welcome and encourage people to bring their own plates or soup cups to help us cut down on our waste. Servers will happily serve into your own containers.

***Please note: This is a family evening and children must be accompanied by their parents or caregivers. Teachers will not be supervising or responsible for any tamariki.***



## **He Pito Kōrero!**

### **Ngā taonga o Taikura**



The whāriki (woven mat) pictured above was woven for 'Art Feast', a past class art fundraising event. This piece is called 'Ko au, ko koe' – It is I it is you. This whāriki was woven in recognition of the skills I had learnt from Bana Paul, a prominent Hawke's Bay weaver, whose round woven whāriki were the inspiration for this piece. 'Ko au, ko koe' now lives in our school office.

### ***Kīwaha o te wiki – Kīwaha of the week.***

Kia pai mai hoki! (Key ah pie my hor key)  
*Wonderful. That's fantastic!*

**Tai:** Kia ora e hoa. I got a Merit for my Eurythmy performance!

**Hina:** Kia pai mai hoki e Tai!

*He pito kōrero is a space dedicated to celebrating and promoting Te Reo me ōna Tikanga Māori*



### **Waiata Mai**    **Thursdays – 12:30 – 1:00 pm - in the Whare Te Manukura**

Ngā mihi hīkaka ki a koutou ngā manu tioriori o Taikura!

Waiata mai has started. Every Thursday in our Whare Te Manukura. If you want to learn some of the waiata that your tamariki sing at school, nau mai, haere mai te katoa....all are welcome!

Ngā mihi ki a koutou ngā kōpara e kō!

Nā Troy Gardiner

## **Upcoming Events**

August 3	6:00 pm - 8:30 pm	Taikura Winter Warmer
August 9	6:30 pm - 7:30 pm	Class 1 Parent Evening
August 9	6:30 pm - 7:30 pm	Class 5 Parent Evening
August 10	7:00 pm - 9:00 pm	Class 10 play Community Performance
August 16	6:30 pm - 7:30 pm	Class 6 Parent Evening
August 16	6:30 pm - 8:30 pm	High School Information Evening - TH Level 3
August 18-21	School Closed	Mid Term Break
August 29	6:00 pm - 7:30 pm	Class 4 Parent Evening
August 30	6:30 pm - 7:30 pm	Class 6 Health Talk With Gee Reisima
September 4	5:00 pm - 7:00 pm	School Board Meeting - Staff Room

## Wallace William Hook Fund

In 1987, Wallace William Hook left in his will a sum of money to the Trustees of the Rudolf Steiner School Hastings Trust (our school proprietors). It was his wish that his bequest be used to assist Māori families to afford the education at Taikura Rudolf Steiner School and its Kindergarten. Applications can be made for the following expenses:

- School camps and EOTC activities
- Expenses incurred by students as part of their education
- Payment of levies or charges
- Payment of examination fees, extra tuition, library fees or activity fees
- Provision of scholarships for further study and exchanges

To be eligible your child must be registered as Māori in our school records. Applications should be made in writing to the fund and detail what you are applying for with an invoice/quote to support those costs. Any approved funding is paid directly to the school or outside provider (based on an invoice). We encourage families who whakapapa Māori, from both the school and kindergarten, to make applications to the Wallace William Hook fund to assist with the expenses detailed above.

Applications can be handed in to the Office or emailed to [selena.crouch@taikura.school.nz](mailto:selena.crouch@taikura.school.nz).

## Katherine Laing Memorial fund

The Katherine Laing Memorial fund was established in 1982, after the passing of Katherine Laing. The fund is to assist pupils and teachers with overseas travel to gain experiences that will benefit them on their journey at Taikura. Anyone wishing to apply for funding is asked to write giving details of their proposed travel and an outline of the costs and how they are to be covered and any other details that may be relevant. Applications should have an anthroposophical background, however other applications can be made.

Applications can be handed in to the office or emailed to [selena.crouch@taikura.school.nz](mailto:selena.crouch@taikura.school.nz).



### Facebook Page Update

Many of you have been part of our Facebook Group, some for many years, and it has been a great way for the community to connect with one another. We now have an official school and kindergartens Facebook Page, and therefore the group has been deleted. Please make sure you follow our new page for regular updates, notices and pictures. To find our page please search Facebook for Taikura Rudolf Steiner School and Kindergartens.

## Casual Kindergarten Kaiako and Kindergarten Assistants needed

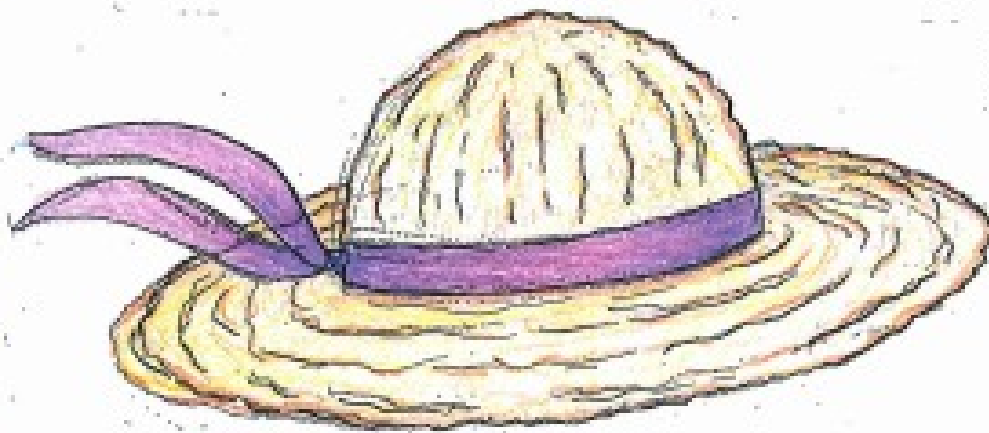
We are looking for enthusiastic people to come and support us in our kindergartens. If you are an experienced kaiako or someone interested in Steiner pedagogy in the kindergarten setting this might be an opportunity for you!

Casual hours between 8:30am - 3:00pm (might be shorter), kindergarten term time only. We are looking for both qualified registered Kaiako as well as Kindergarten Assistant support. If you are interested, please contact Danica Hensel Ondrusova at [danica.hensel@taikura.school.nz](mailto:danica.hensel@taikura.school.nz).



*Save the Date*

*9 & 10 August 2023 in the School Hall*



*A Play*

*The Italian Straw Hat*

*Presented by Class 10*



## Curriculum Corner

### Class 9's History of English Language Main lesson

Class 9 recently learned about the history of the English language, starting way back about 1500 years ago when the Angles, Saxons and Jutes invaded Britannia and working their way forward through time. A focus on Shakespeare's contributions to English included working with the script of, and viewing, *Romeo & Juliet*. We finished the ML with a Shakespearean Masquerade Ball, which included the final rounds of our Shakespearean Insult Competition, dancing and an Elizabethan feast. We hope you enjoy the photos. As you can see, the ākongā made a fantastic effort with their masks and costumes, and we all had a wonderful time.

Sarah Millington - Humanities and Anna Jenkins - English



## Sports Notices

### Upcoming this term.

- Bianca van Dyk (Irene's daughter) working with the high school netball girls. Tuesday 15 August
- Cricket HB will be introducing the game of cricket to students in Classes 3 and 4 with some modified games. Monday 28 August
- Taikura 1st 11 hockey heading away to Tournament week in Levin on Monday 28 August.
- Get to Go Adventure Race for some Class 9 students. Wednesday 9 August.
- Semi finals and finals for all our sports teams next three weeks.

A couple of weeks back we had the privilege of having Paul Henare (ex Hawks Player) working with our basketball students. It was a great training session!

Our basketballers are doing well in their grade and have made it into the Top 5 for the playoffs over the coming weeks. Thanks to Toby Blakey for your coaching.

Janet Osborne - Sports Coordinator



## Welcomes And Farewells

The following students have joined Taikura recently:

- Amitie Hairs and Zane Marshall in **Class 5**
- IJsbrand Stork in **Class 6**
- Nela Pulfer-Ridings in **Class 7**
- Grace Train, Phoebe Hairs and Sarah Stork in **Class 8**
- Max Stothart and Hawaiki Hanara-King in **Class 9**

Haere mai, a very warm welcome to you and your whānau!

All the best to those students who have left Taikura recently, Christopher Simpson, Ruby Hansen, and Kristiana Kuznecova, who has returned to Latvia after her exchange.

Yesterday we farewelled our Class 2 teacher, Mr McArdle. Ms Tanja Maioha will be taking on Class 2 until the end of the year and we are very pleased to welcome her back to Taikura in this fixed-term role. We wish you all the very best Mr McArdle, thank you for all your mahi as a class teacher, and all you have contributed to the life of our school.

Currently our woodwork teacher, Mr Paul van Kampen, and our Eurythmy teacher, Ms Nives Frigerio, are both away on overseas trips until the end of Term 3. We are grateful to our experienced relievers, Mr David Guerin and Ms Sue Simpson, for stepping into their shoes while they are away.

We have also sadly received Mr Toby Blakey's resignation. Toby is our Class Six teacher and has carried this group since Class One. He will be moving into another teaching role in Hawke's Bay at the end of this term. We are very grateful to Mr Blakey for all his work at our kura, both as a class teacher, and in the areas of sustainability and sports.

## Medicines

**Our full policy and supporting documents can be found on our SchoolDocs site: [www.schooldocs.co.nz](http://www.schooldocs.co.nz) username: taikurasteiner password: heartwood**

At Taikura, we value the health (hauora) of our staff and students. We ensure student medication is kept securely and taken appropriately, and staff are responsible for their own medication. This policy applies to prescription and non-prescription medication.

Information about student health conditions is noted in our student management system. Staff have access to this information as appropriate and are familiar with the medical needs of students they have regular contact with. Our Privacy Guidelines apply at all times.

Parents are asked to administer student medication outside school hours when possible. If a student requires medication during school hours, we only administer prescription medication to students whose parents/caregivers have completed a medicine authority form. Forms are stored appropriately and health information is kept private. Medication is administered with due care and attention to the instructions. We carefully monitor some medication in particular (e.g. mood/behaviour altering drugs) so parents/caregivers can be assured it is being taken as prescribed.

We observe the following guidelines when administering medicines.

- All medication held by the school is administered through the school office.
- Staff with authority to administer medication on behalf of parents/caregivers keep appropriate records and store medication safely.
- To ensure the safe management of medication:
  - all medication given to students is recorded
  - the record shows the name of the student, the dose given, the time and date given, the person administering and any other action taken.
- If a staff member requires school-supplied pain relief, it is only given by someone who is medically trained to do so, otherwise the staff member self-administers the medicine.

When needed, we consult a parent/caregiver or health professional (e.g. doctor, public health nurse) as soon as practicable. In an emergency, we provide first aid and call emergency services as required. Medication is administered according to the student's health plan if provided.

### **Students responsible for their own medication**

Many of our students manage their own medication needs (e.g. antibiotics, migraine medication). We expect students to ensure any medication they bring to school is kept as securely as possible. Students must not share medication with other students.

We ask parents/caregivers to keep us informed about any medications a student is required to take regularly at school so that we can support the wellbeing of the student as needed.

***We ask that children in Class 6 and below are not responsible for managing their own medication. If they are unwell to the point where they require panadol or similar pain relief, they need to remain at home. We ask that children in Class 6 and below do not carry panadol or similar pain relief.***

Many thanks for your support of our policy.

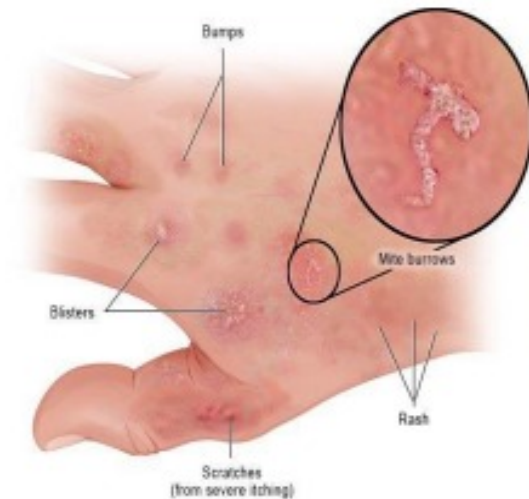


# Scabies

July 2023

In the last few weeks, there has been an increase in Scabies within Hawke's Bay. Below is some information regarding scabies, how to reduce spread and when to seek support.

## What is Scabies?



Scabies is a highly contagious skin infestation that is spread by skin-to-skin contact. It can also be transferred via clothing and bedding. It is caused by tiny insects that "burrow" under the skin, laying eggs as they go. It can take 3-6 weeks from getting scabies before you notice a rash or itch.

Sometimes you can see the mite burrows and small nodules surrounded by red patches. It is very itchy (especially at night or when warm) and can cause more serious infections if left untreated. Scabies may also make kids existing skin conditions worse.

Scabies like to lay eggs in all the warm body areas, including the wrist, between fingers, armpits, knees, and groin.

## Treatment and Prevention:

- Scabies will NOT go away without treatment. All household members should be treated at the same time (even those who are not itchy).
- See your Pharmacy, Primary Care provider, or contact your school or ECEC/TKR Public Health Nurse to be assessed and get treatment.
- It is very important to follow all the treatment and washing instructions given to you.
- Keep fingernails short and follow healthy food and hygiene practices to prevent things from getting worse.
- Kids can return to School, or ECEC/TKR at least one day after starting treatment.
- The itch may last for many weeks, even after successful treatment.

## More Information

<https://healthify.nz/health-a-z/s/scabies/>

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Marie Pickering.. Softearth Art on Facebook

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## Friday Market

**Fridays at 3:00pm Remember to bring gold coins and small notes on Friday**

- Stalls will be ready to go at 3:00 pm in the courtyard outside Classes 1 and 2.
- If it's wet weather, you'll find them setup in the foyer.
- Make sure you bring small change with you.

